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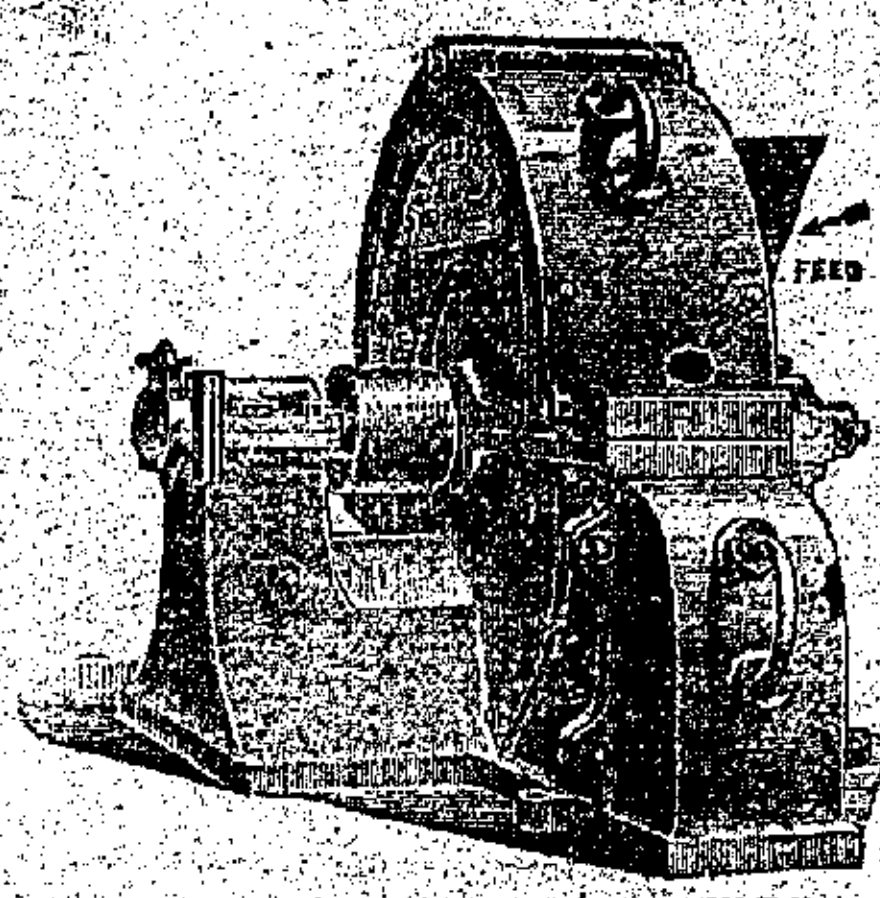
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Auctions.

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, at No. 3, Des Vaux Villas, the Peak.

3 p.m.—Auction of Crown Land situated at Bowen Road.

Meeting.

Regular Meeting of United Service Lodge 341, E.C.

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, April 11.—

2.45 p.m.—Auction of Valuable Household Furniture, at 'Stillington,' Peak Road.

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office, No. 14, Des Vaux Road.

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THE CHINA MAIL.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, APRIL 8, 1901.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Customs Changes.

In addition to the Customs' changes notified in Saturday's issue, the following are notified from the north:—Mr F. S. Unwin is appointed to Ichang, Mr E. V. Brennan to Hangchow, and Mr Paul King to Pakhoi.

Mr McLeavy Brown.

Under protest from Mr Gubbins, H. M. Chargé d'Affaires at Seoul, it was expected that the dismissal of Mr McLeavy Brown would be recalled, but the Korean Government has refused to give way. Mr Gubbins is making a voyage to the *Bumaire* to Mokpo, Masan, and other important points.

Tiger Shooting at Johore.

H. H. the Sultan shot his ninth tiger near Mantau on the 19th March. The animal was tracked into a small piece of thick jungle near the second milestone on the Telokoh rd. and on being driven out by the hunters, received a bullet in the neck from H. H.'s rifle. He bolted back into the jungle and it needed great persuasion to coax him to leave cover again. After being tracked for a considerable distance (says the *Free Press*) the tiger again broke cover and was laid low by a bullet which struck him under the shoulder. It needed, however, a third shot to finish the brute. Unfortunately a beater, an Abyssinian, went close to the place where the animal lay hidden. It immediately sprang on the unfortunate man and mauled him severely. The mix was at once taken off to the hospital, where his wounds on the head and shoulder were dressed. The poor fellow, however, died during the night, from the effect of the shock. On the 24th, H. H. got another tiger, with Mr Buttar, of Singapore. H. H. went out to a small patch of jungle near the Dairy Farm and after a short beat, the animal came out to the left of H. H., who killed it with his first shot. This tiger measured 7ft. 8in.

'The Art Journal.'

The Art Journal for March (Messrs H. Virtue and Co., Ltd., London) easily keeps up its customary high standard of excellence. The presentation plate is a charming 'process' reproduction of Orchardson's well-known 'Parting of the Ways.' Mr Claudio Phillips continues his pleasant comments on the unrivalled Wallace Collection, now permanently housed at Hertford House. He confines himself, this month, to the Italian Pictures of the 14th, 15th and early 16th centuries. W. M. G. tells us of a water-colour painting, 'The Golden Gates,' the evidence of the witnesses at the subsequent enquiry reveals many instances of heroism. It was found that the Assistant Engineer Macdonald, just as the ship was ready for her final plunge, went back to the engine-room and to almost certain death, in order to open the safety valves and prevent an explosion of the boilers. It was also shown that Boatman Pong Ming would not go into his boat even when the ship was giving her last lurch, until he received the command of his superior officer, and almost gave up his life in obeying orders. The pilot attributed the disaster to a strong current setting in towards the San Francisco shore.

Death of an old China Hand.

It is with much regret (says the *N. C. Daily News* of the 3rd inst.) that we have to announce that telegraphic news has been received of the death at San Remo, Italy, on the 1st inst., of Mr Henry Gribble, of Shanghai. Mr Gribble, a very old and popular resident in the Far East, was formerly a partner in Glover & Co., of Nagasaki. After a long residence in Japan, he went home and married an American lady, returning to Shanghai as Agent of the Standard Oil Company of the United States. He was universally liked by his large circle of friends and acquaintances here, and the sympathy felt with his widow—he had no children—is widespread and very genuine. He was between 60 and 70 years of age.

General Funston.

General Funston has been promoted to a Major-Generalship in the U.S. army in recognition of his share in the capture of Aguinaldo, and General Funston is promoted to the rank of Brigadier-General in the army, his present rank being merely in the volunteers. The capture of the Filipino leader has created much excitement in America, judging from the following telegrams:—

Kansas City, the home of General Funston, sends the following message:—

'We have painted the town red and have enough left for another coat.'

Oakland, the home of Mrs Funston, sends the following cable to the General:—

'The town is on fire; you can have what is left.'

Insurgents in the Blood.

We have seen hosts of letters from people who have received great benefit from the use of Clarke's Blood Mixture. It cannot be too highly estimated, for it cures and clears the blood from all impurities. 'This is a good testimonial from the *Family Doctor*, which goes on further to say: 'It is the finest Blood Purifier that science and skill have brought to light, and we can with almost confidence recommend it to our subscribers and the public generally.' For Scrofula, Scurvy, Eczema, Bad Legs, Skin and Blood Diseases, Pimples and Sores of all kinds, its effects are marvellous. Thousands of wonderful cures have been effected by it. Clarke's Blood Mixture is sold everywhere, at 2s. 9d. per bottle. Beware of worthless imitations and substitutes.

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Notes by the Way.

It has been decided to issue 300 additional licenses for jurekas in Victoria.

The Siego Train is to be inspected by Major-General Gascoigne on Wednesday next.

The *Kingship* arrived at Newchwang on the 17th March, the first steamer of the season.

On Saturday, a hawk fell down the hold of a ship in the harbour and was killed.

It is thought that the *Ashton*, which is valued at \$800,000 yen, and has 4,800 tons of coal on board, can be raised.

Mr Alec Marsh left for Shanghai on Saturday last, and expects to give his first concert there on the 16th inst.

An earth quake was working at Yau-mat, on Saturday, when a part of the embankment fell in and crushed him to death.

We understand that Chev. Z. Volpielli, Italian Consul, is to return to Hongkong in a few days by the Italian cruiser *Stromboli*.

Several Chinese children were playing among some logs of wood at Yau-mat on Saturday. One of the logs rolled over and killed a little boy.

Owners and occupiers of tenements are reminded that rates for the second quarter of 1901 are payable in advance on or before the 30th April.

It is feared that Mr Lowe, one of the three round-the-world cyclists, who ascended Fusiyama in the snow a week or so ago, will lose some of his toes, which were frost-bitten.

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Plague in Manila.

A postal official, Vicente Crespo, died of plague at Manila on the 30th March. Several cases are reported from the more crowded districts of the city.

Aguinaldo.

It is reported from Manila that Aguinaldo has sworn allegiance to the United States. This is a great news, if true. A total sum of \$4,500 has been disbursed among the Macabebes who assisted in his capture.

The U. S. Squadron.

The U. S. battleship *Oregon* is leaving shortly for San Francisco via Japan. She is to be relieved on this station by the 'turret-ship' *Wisconsin*, of 11,625 tons displacement, built at San Francisco, in 1898.

Queen's College.

Mr A. W. Brown, the Hon. Dr Ho Kai, and the Rev. F. J. Johnson have been appointed members of the Governing Body of Queen's College during the absence from the Colony of the Hon. A. M. Thomson, Hon. E. R. Bellis, and the Rev. R. F. Cobbold.

P.W.D. Appointments.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to make the following appointments in the Public Works Department:—Mr C. H. Gale has been appointed Executive Engineer, Mr A. H. Hollingsworth Senior Assistant Engineer, and Mr J. M. Xavier Assistant Engineer.

Local Meteorological Observations.

During March, the highest temperature reached was 78.7 and the lowest 55.1. The mean temperature for the month was 63.7. On five days there was no glimpse of 'old Sol,' but he manifested his presence for 132.6 hours during the remaining days of the month. The rainfall was slight, falling only 1.273 inches, collected in eight days. The highest speed attained by the wind was 27.2 miles, and the average velocity over the month was 15.6.

English Soldier in Manila.

The *Manila Times* of the 31st March says:—People on the Escalada yesterday morning saw the first British Indian soldier who has been in Manila since the days of the British occupation. The individual is Corporal Danny Khan, who has just received his discharge from the Hongkong Regiment, and has not yet doffed his uniform. He attracted considerable attention in his yellow and silver pugrae turban with its Mahomedan peak, long Khaki shirt and puttees. Danny Khan will go into the employ of Watson and Co., the druggists.

Rehearsal for an Execution.

On the 28th March, a full dress rehearsal of the execution of the five natives who murdered Mr Archie Wilson, Assistant City Engineer, took place at Fort San Antonio, Alcala, Manila. The troops and the friars who were to grant absolution to the doomed men took part in the rehearsal, but the principal actors were excused attendance. On the following morning, the execution was carried out without a hitch. This is said to have been the first execution by hanging that has ever taken place in Manila. Other five natives are under sentence of death for other murders.

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